

## FURNITURE.

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Of listening "senates to command" is doubtless satisfactory to the recipient, but not nearly so much as both the praise and plaudits of a satisfied furniture-buying constituency whose intelligent discrimination and appreciation of our efforts to provide the right sort of furniture for their use is daily illustrated by free-hand buying and uncalculated admiration of the goods we sell. This is all the testimony we need to indicate that our store is the "mecca" of furniture buyers in quest of the best. In home, the proper thing to do is to do as the Romans do; in Topeka, do as Topeka do, buy your furniture at our big depot of supply.

THE PLEASANT  
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Things of life are not to be despised or neglected. Among the surprising things we exhibit this week are

Some Dining Chairs  
At \$1.25 Apiece.

that we will warrant a crisp, concise and convincing argument cannot be bought for less than \$1.25 each at any other store. Now if you wish to tread pathways of pleasantness and profit, don't neglect the pathway leading to our store this week. Next week this pleasant episode in the current history of this store will not exist.

PARLOR GOODS.  
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Seems odd for we can sell such nice parlor sets for so little money. It is the potentiality of the dollar that gets so much for so little.

A five piece suit consisting of a sofa, chair, and two parlor chairs covered with silk tapestry, requiring only \$25, for only \$120.

A five piece parlor suite, containing one sofa, one chair, two parlor chairs, all of them good style, with carved oak frames, for our price, \$35.

A four piece suite, upholstered in a good grade of brocade, including a sofa, two chairs and a settee, made for the extremely low price of \$40.

A splendid three-piece parlor suite, a very nice set of chairs, just radiating loveliness in every graceful line of their design, with carved oak frames and the glowing silk covering, an ideal recreation room suite for only \$150.

BALL TREES  
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To hold your hats, your overcoats, are a great convenience. Our Ball Trees this season have every virtue of style, workmanship and equipment. Some of them, although comparatively inexpensive, have none of the minor defects so common in cheap affairs. They are made strong, the proportions are admirable, framing is good and outlines of most of them graceful. They have a neat deep seat to the floor, but lift, beneath which is a large storage chest for overcoats, slippers and sundry useful but not specially stylish articles. The umbrella rack is of brass, with rustless bowl, the hooks are of antique pattern, with branching arms, they are usually made of quarter sawed oak, finely carved, and with suitably sized mirror. Prices are \$5, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$25, up to \$75 each.

PARLOR CABINETS.  
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Have you curiosities, oddities, rare and unique articles painstakingly gathered from highways and byways of Europe, your native land, mute witnesses of pleasure, toil and adventure, exciting pleasurable emotion of a past experience in your mind, full of keenest interest to your friends? Would you fittingly display your treasures? Frame them with one of our parlor cabinets. It would be a most sensible act. Prices \$10, \$15, \$25 and \$40.

CHEFFONIERS  
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A great many kinds, a great many styles, but notably one that is particularly stylish, useful and ornamental, with a plain and finish easily revealing that of any piano. It is in the dark, distinguished looking and comparatively new furniture wood, early birch, a fashionable favorite at present. In any attempt to accurately describe this Cheffonier a "lean penny" would afflict our pen. It must be seen to be appreciated.

Prices are from \$10 to \$50.

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## HELP, IF ONLY A PENNY

Assistance is Urgently Asked for the Armenians.

Phil-Armenio Society of Northwest Makes an Appeal.

## FOR A NEW REGIME.

The United States is Asked to Mediate.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 26.—Herant M. Kiretchian, who figured prominently in the parliament of religions at the world's fair, and who has since been engaged in interesting the people in the United States in the condition of the people of Armenia, his native land, is redoubling his efforts since the reports of the recent massacres by the Turks have reached this country. He has just organized the Phil-Armenio association of the Northwest, similar associations having been formed in Boston, Philadelphia and New York. As secretary of the new association, he has written a letter to President Cleveland, urging the mediation of the United States for the establishment of a new regime in Armenia. He has written to the governor of each of the Southern states, asking their united protestations be sent to England, against its indifference to the horrible outrages, and with a view of interesting the whole people in Armenia and for the assistance of the suffering and helpless people, he has issued the following:

A Thanksgiving proclamation from Armenia, to the people of the United States, thrice happy people of the land of the free: You are thankful that the lives of your forefathers were spared and God established here a great nation standing upon liberty and freedom of conscience.

To-day there is an ancient Christian nation sitting around the smoldering ruins of her homes and unaged thousands of dead. She is robbed of her liberty, but keeps the freedom of conscience by martyrdom. You have read and you have been horrified at the inhuman cruelties perpetrated upon the helpless people of Armenia—men, women and children brought up like yourselves in Christian gentleness and purity. The glory of their martyrdom shines over the world and the crime is against humanity.

The horror of the slaughter and the bestial cruelty and foulness of the outrages have chilled the heart and polluted the ear of Christendom.

I ask the whole American people to declare to the world on this, the day of their glad Thanksgiving, by unanimous will, their horror and condemnation at the brutal slaughter of thousands of Armenian families and the crushing of mercy and justice with one blow before the eyes of the civilized world.

I ask them to cast that vote, not on paper, but one good American cent, a dime if they will, but at least one American cent from every man, woman and child whose heart has ached for the stricken Armenian nation. To look upon the cent or the dime ere they cast it, and see there the United States, encircling liberty and the exaltation of their inheritance, to dedicate that sacred symbol for a mighty protest against all oppression and in token of warm sympathy for a bleeding nation.

Added to the stupendous power of that voice will be the creation of a national Armenian fund. It will be the life blood of the Phil-Armenio associations, which strive to have purity of life, honor and property assured to the people of Armenia.

Pending united organization of all friends of Armenia and for the appointment of officers and trustees the following honored gentlemen will act as trustees of the fund:

Mayor of Minneapolis, William H. Enstis; George A. Pillsbury, E. C. Chamberlain, president of Security bank.

Of like national repute will be requested to be temporary trustees in New York.

The trustees will hold the fund inviolate to be used for two definite objects only:

First—To secure the protection of the Armenian people in Turkey from further outrages.

Second—To promote the cause of establishing a righteous government in Armenia.

We ask for a cent, a dime, or a check as a Thanksgiving day vote of abhorrence of the massacres and of sympathy for afflicted Armenia. It can be mailed to either the Security bank, Minneapolis, Minn.; Western national bank, New York city, or Wells-Fargo & Co., San Francisco.

To the editors of America, I appeal with yearning. You, honored sirs, are the gatekeepers of the nation's heart. Will you not hold up this signal for the rescue of a nation? I pray you, display this proclamation, and every inch of bold type will be a blazing protest against foul murder and horrible desecration of sacred homes, and every reader will cast a burning vote.

Invoke the rich blessings of heaven upon the press of America.

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## OWSLEY MUST GO.

Kansas City's Recorder of Voters to Be Peremptorily Removed.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 26.—There will be startling developments in the local election fraud cases within twenty-four hours. The first will be the peremptory removal of Charles H. Owsley from the office of recorder of voters. He will be succeeded by H. Clay Arnold, chairman of the Democratic county central committee. Presenting Attorney Marcy K. Brown will request the governor, owing to the speedy expiration of his term of office, to appoint an assistant attorney general to prosecute the cases that have arisen, or that may arise from the election frauds.

One of the first duties of this assistant attorney general will be to prosecute Edward C. Findlay, Arthur Morrison, Thomas L. Tuck, Andrew J. Lawton, Fred G. Knodle, Wallace G. Knodle and George Bergman, arrested on charges of fraud. Another duty will be the prosecution of T. J. Canby, at whose instigation Findlay and Morrison had been arrested.

The above action was decided upon by Governor Stone after thorough investigation of the election fraud situation in this city.

## SHOT DEAD AT A CHURCH

Desperate Fight Occurs Between Murderer and Officers.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 26.—A battle occurred at a church near Carrollton, Miss., yesterday between officers and a murderer, and as a result one man is dead and two others wounded. Ben P. Catham, the marshal of Carrollton, and N. Brewer, a deputy sheriff, left for Emma, a church ten miles south of Carrollton to arrest Claude Moss, who is charged with murder at Monticello, Tenn. county. Moss resisted arrest and after a most desperate struggle Catham shot him dead, but not until Catham and Brewer had been wounded. The affair occurred in front of the church door and scores of women fainted.

## IS THE INDIANA LOST?

Fears for the Safety of the American Liner Now Six Days Overdue.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 26.—The American liner Indiana, Captain Townsend, from Liverpool and Queenstown, for this port, with a crew of seventy men and 140 stowage passengers, has not yet been turned up, and is now almost six days overdue. Great uneasiness prevails as to her safety. The British steamship Robinia, from Antwerp, is also overdue.

## A BLOCK OF RESIDENCES BURNED.

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## BISSELL'S REPORT.

Needs of the Postoffice Department Set Forth.

The Second-class Mail Matter Has Grown Most.

## WHAT HE RECOMMENDS

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Postmaster General W. S. Bissell has submitted to the president his annual report for the year ending June 30, 1894. He briefly outlines the policy of the department in the following:

"In general I would recommend that the first and most important thing to be done is to revise the laws as to second-class matter so as to place the postoffice department immediately upon a self-sustaining basis.

"Second—Avoid expensive experiments like postal telegraph, rural fee delivery, etc.

"Third—Develop the postal service on existing lines of administration, viz: Extend free delivery in cities that now enjoy it; accord it to towns already entitled to it under the law, and quicken railroad transportation.

"Fourth—Revise and reclassify the organization of the railway mail service and reclassify clerks in post-offices.

"Fifth—Provide for district supervision of all postal affairs by appointment of expert postal officials from the classified service, as recommended in my last annual report.

"The revenue for the year was \$75,000,474; expenditures, \$84,324,414, leaving a deficit of \$9,243,940. The estimates for the current year ending June 30, 1895, are: Revenue, \$84,427,749; expenditures, \$90,399,485; deficit \$5,971,736. He estimates submitted to the secretary of the treasury for the next fiscal year are: Revenue, \$90,907,407; expenditures, \$91,059,283; deficiency, \$151,876."

This annual deficiency, the postmaster general says, could be overcome by the increase of postal rates, but he does not believe this advisable. Economy has been practiced, but nevertheless, great care has been taken that it should not affect the efficiency of the service.

The economies have consisted mainly in reletting contracts for mail transportation, in the cost and amount of supplies; also in the abrogation of seven of the eleven steamship subsidy contracts, which will mean a total saving in the ten years of the contract's life of \$1